

**REMARKS**

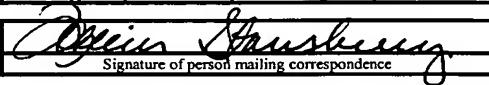
Applicant submitted a Petition to Claim Benefit Under 35 U.S.C. 120 of a Prior Copending Nonprovisional Application under 37 C.F.R. 178(a)(3) (hereinafter "First Petition") for the current application on April 1, 2004. Applicant received a notice, dated August 31, 2004, that the First Petition was dismissed due to the First Petition lacking an amendment containing the corrected reference to the prior filed application. Applicant hereby submits this Amendment with a Renewed Petition to Claim Benefit Under 35 U.S.C. 120 of a Prior Copending Nonprovisional Application under 37 C.F.R. 178(a)(3) which contains a "Cross Reference to Related Applications" section containing the corrected priority claim. If the Office of Petitions wishes to discuss this application with counsel, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: September 8, 2004

  
Gary P. Katz, Reg. No. 46,099

ExxonMobil Upstream Research Company  
P.O. Box 2189  
Houston, Texas 77252-2189  
Telephone: (713) 431-4577  
Facsimile: (713) 431-4664

Certification under 37 CFR §§ 1.8(a) and 1.10	
I hereby certify that, on the date shown below, this application/correspondence attached hereto is being:	
<b>MAILING</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> deposited with the United States Postal Service in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231. 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a)	<input type="checkbox"/> as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" 37 C.F.R. § 1.10
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> with sufficient postage as first class mail. Monica Stansberry Typed or printed name of person mailing correspondence	<input type="checkbox"/> Express Mail mailing number
 Signature of person mailing correspondence	September 8, 2004 Date of Deposit
<b>TRANSMISSION</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> transmitted by facsimile to the Patent and Trademark Office at facsimile number:	